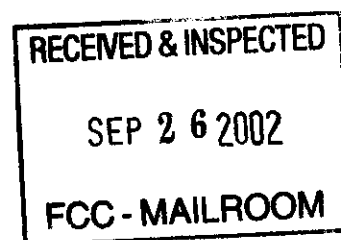




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Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative  
Dickey Rural Communications, Inc.  
Dickey Rural Services, Inc.  
Dickey Rural Access, Inc.



September 16, 2002

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary  
445-12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room TW-B204  
Washington, DC 20554

RE: USF Certification – FCC Docket No. 96-45  
Dickey Rural Access, Inc.

Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed for filing in FCC Docket No. 96-45 is an Affidavit certifying that all universal service support will only be used by the undersigned carrier for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

The undersigned carrier has also filed this Affidavit with the North Dakota Public Service Commission, and it is anticipated that the North Dakota Public Service Commission will also certify by October 1, 2002, that the undersigned carrier will only use said universal service support for its intended purpose. However, because of the importance of this issue, and the fast-approaching certification deadline of October 1, 2002, the undersigned carrier is also providing certification directly to the Federal Communications Commission to ensure that the undersigned carrier continues to receive the universal service support for which it is eligible.

Sincerely,

Darren D. Moser  
General Manager

DDM/seb


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**AFFIDAVIT OF DICKEY RURAL ACCESS REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF  
FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT**

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On this 16 day of September, 2002, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Darren D. Moser, known to me to be the General Manager of Dickey Rural Access, Inc. the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

  
\_\_\_\_\_, Notary Public  
For the State of North Dakota  
My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

